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REMARKS

As a result of the foregoing amendment, Claim 3 has been replaced by new claim 4.

In claim 4, it is clear that the composition administered consists essentially of the compound

having the structural formula number 1.

The reference relied on by the Examiner in no way suggests the recited method. In

deed, the reference specifically teaches only the use of the compound carbocysteine $\underline{\text{in}}$

combination with sobrerol. There is absolutely no suggestion in this reference that either one

of these disclosed compounds could or should be used alone, much less, that they would

provide a method for controlling a respiratory disease. Consequently, the reference teaches

away from the present invention as claimed and this rejection is untenable and should be

withdrawn.

It is submitted this amendment places the application in condition for allowance and

entry thereof and favorable reconsideration and prompt notice of allowance are earnestly

solicited.

Respectfully submitted.

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